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which gives information on five shipments which were observed in the Magdeburg area

Where known, the make-up, load, origin, and destination of the shipments are given. A sketch of one of the APC's (armored personnel carriers) mentioned in the first two paragraphs is also included.

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1. [redacted] equipment was off-loaded from a train at the station of MAGDEBURG-NEUSTADT. The equipment was as follows:

- (a) 19 x T-54.
- (o) 8 x A.P.C.
- (c) 4 x [redacted] with officers and troops (black/red sbds.). 50X1-HUM
- (d) 6 x [redacted] with boxes with Russian writing and measuring approx. 1.2 m [redacted] long, 0.6 m [redacted] wide and 0.4 m [redacted] high. The transport label denoted TORGAU as the despatching station. 50X1-HUM

2. The A.P.C.s are described as follows:

- (a) Tracked, with 5 or 6 large [redacted] wheels and no return rollers. 50X1-HUM
- (b) The driver's cabin had two rows of seats, one behind the other. The cabin was fully armoured. The side windows had folding protective plates, [redacted]. The cabin was 2 - 2.5 m [redacted] long and roughly 1.5 m [redacted] high, measured from above the track. 50X1-HUM
- (c) The [redacted] engine cover was armoured and roughly 0.75 - 1 m [redacted] long. The protective armour plates [redacted] lay on top [redacted]. 50X1-HUM
- (d) Behind the cabin a stretched canvas covered the back and measured roughly 3 - 3.5 m [redacted] long and roughly 0.5 m [redacted] high. 50X1-HUM
- (e) The overall length of the vehicle was estimated as from 6 - 7 m [redacted]. 50X1-HUM

3. [redacted] a train passed through MAGDEBURG-NEUSTADT coming from the direction of SUDENBURG and continuing towards BIEDEFITZ. The train carried the following equipment:

- (a) 28 x [redacted] with 1 major, 1 captain and artillery & signals troops. The troops were from 22 - 32 years old, some with years of service stripes. 50X1-HUM
- (b) 2 x [redacted] with field kitchens.
- (c) 1 x [redacted] with 2 jeeps.
- (d) 9 x [redacted] with contents unknown.

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4. [redacted] a train stood at MAGDEBURG-NEUSTADT which left in the direction of BIEDERITZ, with the following equipment: 50X1-HUM

- (a) 18 x [redacted] each with one 6x6 A.P.C. [redacted] 50X1-HUM  
 (b) 11 x [redacted] each with a ZIS-151 & 152 mm. gun howitzer. [redacted]  
 (c) 6 x [redacted] with troops (black/red sbds.). [redacted]  
 (d) 1 x [redacted] with 2 field kitchens. [redacted]

5. [redacted] a train coming from the direction of BIEDERITZ left MAGDEBURG-NEUSTADT in the direction of SUDENBURG with the following equipment: 50X1-HUM

- (a) 17 x [redacted] with troops (black/red sbds.). 50X1-HUM  
 (b) 2 x [redacted] each with 2 field kitchens.  
 (c) 2 x [redacted] with 2 ZIS-151.  
 (d) 9 x [redacted] with contents unknown.

6. [redacted] at 1430 hours, a train coming from the direction of SUDENBURG left MAGDEBURG-NEUSTADT in the direction of BIEDERITZ with the following equipment:

- (a) 18 x [redacted] each with a JS type tank, all having a gun barrel support. 50X1-HUM  
 (b) 7 x [redacted] with troops (black/red & black/black sbds.).  
 (c) 4 x [redacted] , each with 2 jeeps.  
 (d) 2 x [redacted] , contents unknown.

7. [redacted] a train coming from the direction of HILLERSLEBEN was off-loaded at MAGDEBURG-NEUSTADT of the following equipment:

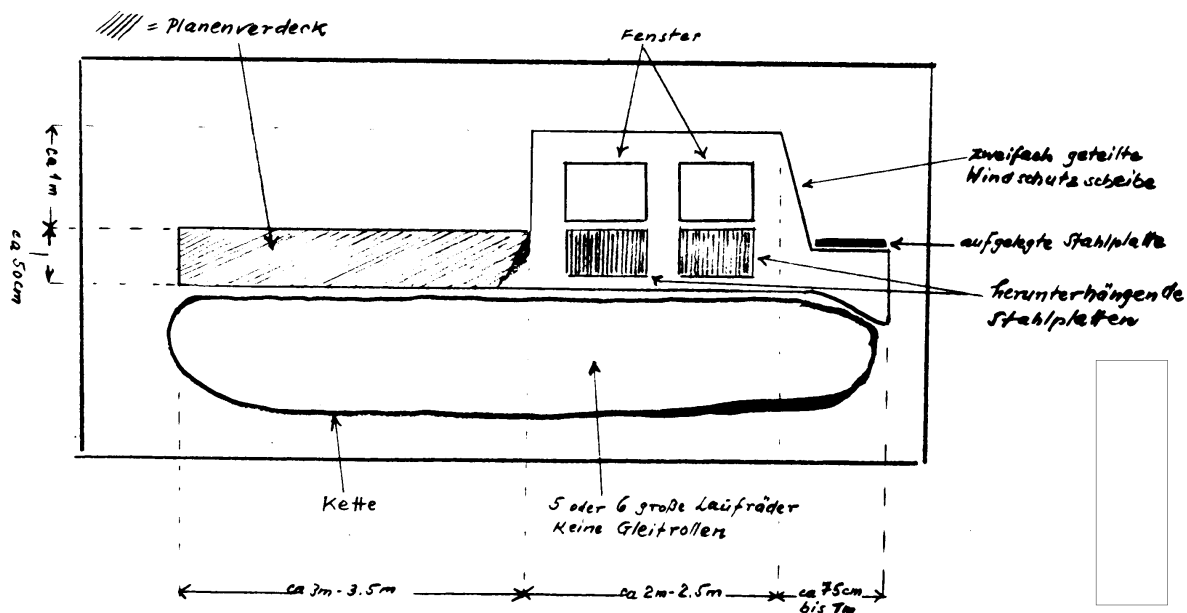
- (a) 12 x JS tanks with gun barrel supports.  
 (b) 16 x 3-axled amphibians.  
 (c) 2 x field kitchens & 2 x ZIS-151.  
 (d) 7 x [redacted] with troops (black/red & black/wine-red sbds.) 50X1-HUM

The troops and equipment drove off in the direction of the barracks in the Turmschanzenstrasse.

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